

ABSTRACT

5 [00155] An implantable surgical ring (1, 10) for surrounding one or more organs  
having a pouch or a duct, in order to modify the section of the passage in the organ(s), the  
ring (1, 10) being in the form of a flexible strap (2, 20) extending between first and  
second ends (3, 4, 40, 400), the flexible strap (2, 20) being provided towards its first and  
second ends (3, 4, 40, 400) with respective male and female closure elements (5, 50; 6,  
10 60, 600) arranged to co-operate in such a manner that the flexible strap (2, 20) forms a  
closed loop, the female closure element (6, 60, 600) permanently forming a closed collar.  
The female element (6, 60, 600) includes a structural discontinuity (20, 200, 2000) in  
which the deformability of the female element (6, 60, 600) is greater than the  
deformability of the remainder of the female element (6, 60, 600). The invention is  
15 applicable to implantable surgical rings.

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